

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SHUM  
SUBJECT: GUIDANCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS PROVISIONS OF NEW DEVELOPMENT  
ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION

REF: STATE 282352

1. EMBOFF DECEMBER FIRST LEFT TEXT OF HUMAN RIGHTS PROVISIONS OF  
REVISED SECTION 116 OF FAA WITH TOUQIR HUSSAIN, MFA DIRECTOR  
(AMERICA). HUSSAIN SAID HE HOPED THE HUMAN RIGHTS PROVISIONS WOULD  
NOT CAUSE ANY PROBLEMS FOR PAKISTAN, ESPECIALLY CONSIDERING THE  
GREATLY IMPROVED SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY.

2. HE NOTED THAT A NUMBER OF SPECIFIC INDICATORS OF THE STATUS OF  
HUMAN RIGHTS HAD SHOWN CONSIDERABLE IMPROVEMENT SINCE JULY FIFTH.  
SPECIFICALLY, HE MENTIONED THE RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS,  
INCREASED FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA, GREATER FREEDOM FOR THE "COMMON  
MAN" FROM GOVERNMENT COERCION AND INTIMIDATION, AND THE INVITATION  
FROM THE CHIEF ELECTION COMMISSIONER (WHO IS ALSO CHIEF JUSTICE OF  
THE PUNJAB HIGH COURT) TO AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL TO ATTEND JUICIAL  
HEARINGS.

3. HUSSAIN SAID THAT ALTHOUGH GENERAL ZIA HAD TO POSTPONE  
ELECTIONS, HE STILL INTENDS TO TURN POWER OVER TO A CIVILIAN  
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GOVERNMENT AS SOON AS THE "ACCOUNTABILITY" PROCESS IS COMPLETED.  
HE ADDED IN PASSING THAT IT WAS HIS OWN VIEW THAT THE ELECTION  
POSTPONEMENT WAS GENERALLY FAVORABLY RECEIVED IN THE STATES,  
INCLUDING A POSITIVE EDITORIAL IN THE NYTIMES.

4. THE DIRECTOR SUMMED UP HIS IMPROMPTU PRESENTATION BY NOTING  
THAT IF ONE CONSIDERS THE SPECIFIC WAYS IN WHICH AN INDIVIDUAL'S

HUMAN RIGHTS ARE AFFECTED IN PAKISTAN, "OUR RECORD IS NOW MUCH  
BETTER THAN IT WAS BEFORE JULY FIFTH."

5. EMBASSY HAS NOT YET RECEIVED HUMAN RIGHTS CEP FOR PAKISTAN. WE  
WOULD APPRECIATE TELEGRAPHIC TRANSMISSION OF THE DRAFT FOR OUR  
COMMENTS.  
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